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Total N = 1,027

Results are based on the total city-wide sample unless otherwise noted.

An asterisk indicates registered respondents. Trends are based on New York Times Polls except: New York Times/CBS News Polls: Oct. 1998 - Oct. 2000, Aug. 2006

1. What's your long range view for the city -- do you think that ten or fifteen years from now, New York City will be a better place to live than it is now, a worse place, or about the same?

	Better	Worse	Same	Better & worse	DK/NA
11/73	38	32	26		4
8/77	27	42	18		13
12/77	38	34	17		11
12/7-14/81	30	40	22		7
1/5-10/85	30	31	27	5	6
1/4-6/87	26	35	31	4	5
1/10-12/88	24	42	28		6
6/11-17/89	22	48	24	1	5
6/17-10/90	20	51	24		4
11/2-12/91	19	58	17		5
5/10-14/93	22	50	23	-	5
3/1-6/97	28	36	29	1	6
8/5-12/01	34	25	32	1	9
10/6-9/01	54	11	26	1	8
10/27-11/1/01	51	12	26	2	9
6/4-9/02	41	20	31	1	6
8/25-29/02	33	23	38	1	6
1/11-15/03	34	26	32	2	7
6/6-11/03	30	33	29	1	7
8/31-9/4/03	34	31	26	1	8
4/16-21/04	33	28	32	2	6
8/20-25/04	30	32	30	1	6
2/4-13/05	28	29	36	3	4
6/21-26/05	31	29	33	2	5
8/22-28/05	30	26	37	1	5
10/21-26/05	36	24	34	1	5
8/23-27/06	30	29	34	2	5
8/9-15/11	32	31	31	2	4

2. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Michael Bloomberg is handling his job as Mayor?

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
6/4-9/02	48	26	26
8/25-29/02	47	31	22
10/12-16/02	47	41	12
1/11-15/03	31	53	16
6/6-11/03	24	65	11
7/13-27/03	25	67	8
8/31-9/4/03	32	57	11
4/16-21/04	38	46	16
8/20-25/04	40	49	11
2/4-13/05	43	45	12
6/21-26/05	50	35	15
8/22-28/05	59	31	11
10/21-26/05	67	23	10
8/23-27/06	63	22	15
6/6-11/08	67	28	5
5/29-6/3/09	60	34	6
8/27-31/10	59	29	12
10/26-28/10	54	30	16
8/9-15/11	45	43	13

3. Do you feel things in New York City are generally going in the right direction or do you feel things have pretty seriously gotten off on the wrong track?

	Right direction	Wrong track	DK/NA
10/21-26/05	63	28	8
6/6-11/08	37	56	7
8/9-15/11	36	54	10

5. How would you rate the condition of the New York City economy these days? Is it very good, fairly good, fairly bad, or very bad?

	Very good	Fairly good	Fairly bad	Very bad	DK/NA
9/29-10/3/93	2	30	40	25	3
3/1-6/97	6	53	25	12	4
8/5-12/01*	12	66	13	5	4
10/6-9/01*	5	55	27	8	5
10/27-11/1/01*	4	54	30	9	2
6/4-9/02	4	46	34	12	4
1/11-15/03	2	28	42	24	3
6/4-11/03	2	22	43	30	3
4/16-21/04	2	43	33	19	3
8/20-25/04	3	44	32	19	2
2/4-13/05	3	51	27	17	2
6/21-26/05	4	51	28	14	2
8/22-28/05	4	55	25	13	4
5/29-6/3/09	2	34	38	25	1
8/9-15/11	2	27	39	29	2

6. In general, do you think New York City's economy is better, worse, or about the same as it was five years ago?

	Better	Worse	Same	DK/NA
11/2-12/91	4	86	9	2
3/1-6/97	38	27	28	6
8/5-12/01*	21	25	51	3
10/6-9/01*	21	35	38	5
10/27-11/1/01*	18	39	39	5
6/4-9/02	23	31	42	4
1/11-15/03	11	50	36	4
6/4-11/03	11	52	35	3
4/16-21/04	28	31	37	4
8/20-25/04	20	36	41	2
2/4-13/05	26	31	41	2
6/21-26/05	27	29	42	2
8/22-28/05	28	28	43	2
8/9-15/11	10	46	42	1

7. Looking ahead about four years, if it were entirely up to you, would you want to be living where you are now, or would you want to be living somewhere else in New York City, or outside the city?

	Living where now	Elsewhere in NYC	Outside NYC	DK/NA
4/27-5/3/85	44	15	40	1
8/5-12/01	42	21	35	3
10/6-9/01	55	12	31	2
6/4-9/02	47	16	34	3
8/25-29/02	40	17	42	1
1/11-15/03	38	17	42	3
6/6-11/03	42	13	42	3
8/31-9/4/03	40	11	47	3
4/16-21/04	43	14	41	2
8/20-25/04	40	12	47	2
2/4-13/05	41	16	41	2
6/21-26/05	47	14	38	2
8/22-28/05	46	14	38	1
8/23-27/06	42	15	41	2
8/9-15/11	43	15	41	1

	In NYC	Somewhere else	DK/NA
12/7-14/81	48	48	4
1/5-10/85	54	42	4
6/17-20/90	38	59	3
11/2-12/91	37	60	3
3/1-6/97	49	47	4
8/5-12/01	62	35	3
10/6-9/01	67	31	2
6/4-9/02	63	16	3
8/25-29/02	57	43	1
1/11-15/03	55	42	3
6/6-11/03	55	42	3
8/31-9/4/03	51	47	3
4/16-21/04	57	41	2
8/20-25/04	52	47	2
2/4-13/05	57	41	2
6/21-26/05	60	38	2
8/22-28/05	60	38	1
8/23-27/06	57	41	2
8/9-15/11	58	41	1

11. A law has been proposed that would require Mayor Bloomberg and future mayors to disclose to the public when they travel more than 250 miles outside the city. Others have said this law is unnecessary because deputy mayors are available and the mayor is always in touch. What do you think? Do you favor or oppose a law that would require mayors to report when they travel outside the city?

	Favor	Oppose	DK/NA
8/9-15/11	44	49	7

12. Some people say Wal-mart should be allowed to open stores in New York City because it would provide jobs and its lower prices would benefit New Yorkers who would shop there. Other people are against allowing Wal-mart to open stores in New York City because its lower prices hurt small neighborhood businesses and Wal-mart doesn't offer its workers enough in wages and benefits. What do you think? Should Wal-Mart be allowed to open stores within New York City, or not?

	Should	Should not	DK/NA
8/9-15/11	62	33	5

70. How long have you lived in New York City?

	Less than one year	1-10 years	11-20 years	21-30 years	31-40 years	Over 40 years	DK/NA
8/9-15/11	1	12	21	21	12	30	2

Some people are registered to vote and others are not. Are you registered to vote in the election district where you now live, or aren't you?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
8/9-15/11	76	23	1

In what borough do you NOW live?

	Bronx	Brooklyn	Manhattan	Queens	Staten Island	DK/NA
8/9-15/11	16	27	19	29	9	1

What is your religious preference today?

	Protestant	Catholic	Jewish	Muslim	Other	None	DK/NA
8/9-15/11	27	34	9	2	6	17	5

Are you now married, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married?

	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Separated	Never married	DK/NA
8/9-15/11	42	7	8	4	36	2

Generally speaking, do you usually consider yourself a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or what?

	Republican	Democrat	Independent	DK/NA
8/9-15/11	12	49	27	12

How would you describe your views on most political matters? Generally do you think of yourself as liberal, moderate, or conservative?

	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative	DK/NA
8/9-15/11	31	34	25	10

What was the last grade in school you completed?

	Not a H.S. grad	H.S. grad	Some college	College grad	Post grad	Refused
8/9-15/11	12	34	22	17	13	1

How old are you?

	18-29	30-44	45-64	Over 64	Refused
8/9-15/11	22	31	30	16	2

Are you of Hispanic origin or descent, or not?

	Hispanic	Not Hispanic	Interviewed in Spanish	DK/NA
8/9-15/11	22	72	5	1

Are you white, black, or some other race?

	White	Black	Asian	Other	Refused
8/9-15/11	46	27	4	18	4

Was your total family income, that is your household income before taxes, in 2010 UNDER or OVER \$50,000?? IF UNDER, ASK: Was it under \$15,000, or between \$15,000 and \$30,000, or over \$30,000? IF OVER, ASK: Was it between \$50,000 and \$75,000, or between \$75,000 and \$100,000 or was it over \$100,000?

	Under \$15,000	\$15,000- \$29,999	\$30,000- \$49,999	\$50,000- \$74,999	\$75,000- \$100,000	Over \$100,000	Refused
8/9-15/11	11	16	15	17	9	16	15

Gender

	Male	Female
8/9-15/11	47	53